

CODE OF CONDUCT - SPECTATORS

The Board of Lacrosse Victoria actively supports the Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport, which ensures every person in Victoria has the right to participate in community sport which is safe, welcoming and inclusive of anyone regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religion, culture or disability, and will have the opportunity to participate in our sport without fear of abuse, intimidation or sexual harassment.

Lacrosse Victoria accepts the responsibility of ensuring participation in our community sport event is free of any anti-social behavior both on and off field which would prevent others from taking part and getting active.

All clubs will have the responsibility of adhering to and enforcing the code through the proper reporting processes and enforcing the Code through sport specific penalties. Any club from Lacrosse Victoria who does not adhere to and enforce the Code could be responsible for the cancellation of any existing funding to the sport from Sport and Recreation Victoria, and any existing funding may cease.

Lacrosse Victoria seeks to provide all players, officials and supporters with a high quality, enjoyable and energetic competition. It is expected that all involved will display, as their prime objective, good sportsmanship and fellowship in order to attain maximum enjoyment, recreation and social interaction for all concerned.

SPECTATORS MUST BE EXPECTED TO:

- Remember that children play organized sports for fun (they are not playing for the entertainment of spectators only)
- Applaud good performances and efforts from each team congratulate all participants upon their performance regardless of the event outcome
- Respect the official's decisions (If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach the children to do likewise)
- Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during competition. Positive

comments are motivational

- Condemn the use of violence in any form be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players
- Show respect for your teams opponents. Without them, there wouldn't be a game
- Encourage players to follow the rules and official decisions
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, or harassing players, coaches or officials
- Avoid use of derogatory language based on gender